

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

HIRAI *et al.*

Appl. No.: 10/536,822

§371 Date: October 18, 2005

For: **Method and Apparatus of  
Concentration and Purification of  
Nucleic Acid**

Confirmation No.: 6627

Art Unit: 1637

Examiner: BERTAGNA, Angela Marie

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**Statement of Substance of Examiner Interview**

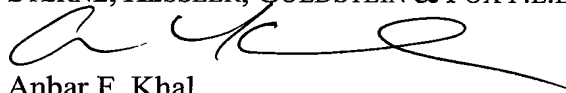
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Sir:

Applicants wish to thank Examiner Angela Bertagna for the telephone interview conducted on April 16, 2009. In the telephone interview, Applicants' representatives, Michel Cimbala and Anbar Khal, discussed the claim amendments and arguments set forth in the Reply to the Office Action filed on February 26, 2009. The Examiner agreed that these amendments and arguments were sufficient to overcome the previously made rejections.

Respectfully submitted,  
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